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Comments: With the approval of the Yucca Mountain "Project", thousands of shipments of radioactive waste will be hauled across the entire United States. The phrase "accident waiting to happen" comes to mind.

As a resident of Webster Groves, Missouri, these shipments would be sent through my backyard on tracks that have recently been host to a nice sized train derailment (May 01).

With the recent events in New York & Washington, I have heard a lot of people questioning how could something like this happen? What could we have done to prevent this? These would be the same questions asked should a train derailment take place and kill 10's, 100's, 1,000s of people. Of course then, and unfortunately too late, there would be new and better laws/regulations to protect citizens (as there are currently in airports and around America.)

Wouldn't it be nice to be able to go back to the morning of September 11 and stop the hijackers from entering the planes? Stop them from killing thousands of people? We have the chance now to stop an accident before it happens.

Why ship nuclear waste across the country endangering lives when it already is, and has been, sitting in the same place for years? Why not bury it where it lies? If an answer to a problem can make the problem worse, then it is not a good answer and not well thought out.

Accidents do happen.

The unthinkable is always thought of by someone.

We have the chance to prevent a tragedy. In the years to come, the pain caused

by the terrorist attacks on America will eventually lessen. The anxiety/fear in the back of our minds that "something could happen to us today" will eventually recede. Not that we should ever forget what happened, but inevitably we will move on. I hope when the day comes that I feel safe from terrorist acts in America, I do not have to live with the threat of a nuclear disaster, caused by Americans, killing me, my family, my friends or any other helpless and defenseless citizens of the United States of America. Papermail: 122 W. Lockwood

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